

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION**

Please replace the third paragraph on page 9 with the following:

When the timer has expired at 420, CRL #N is generated at 424. At 430, the data entries listing the revoked certificate numbers in CRL #N are ~~prepared~~ compared to those entries in CRL #N-1 to determine if any change has taken place. If any change has taken place, those entries will be ~~unequal~~ different, and control passes to 434. At 434 the value of last\_changed is updated to N ~~and in~~ CRL #N. CRL #N is then signed at 438 with a digital signature and saved at 442. The timer is then reset at 446 and control returns to 416 where the value of N is incremented and the process repeats.